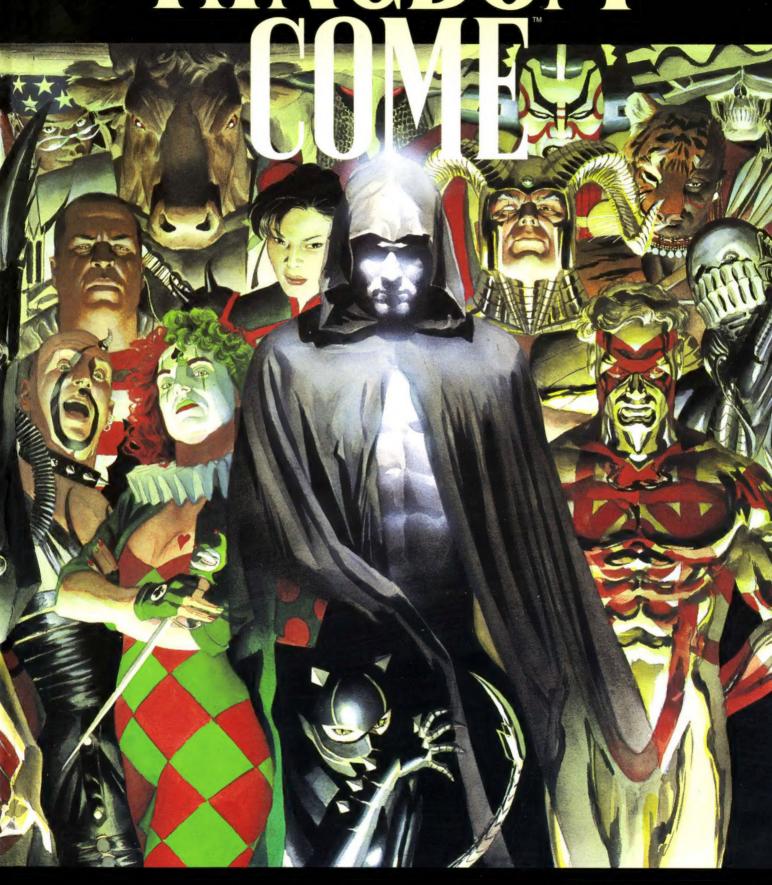


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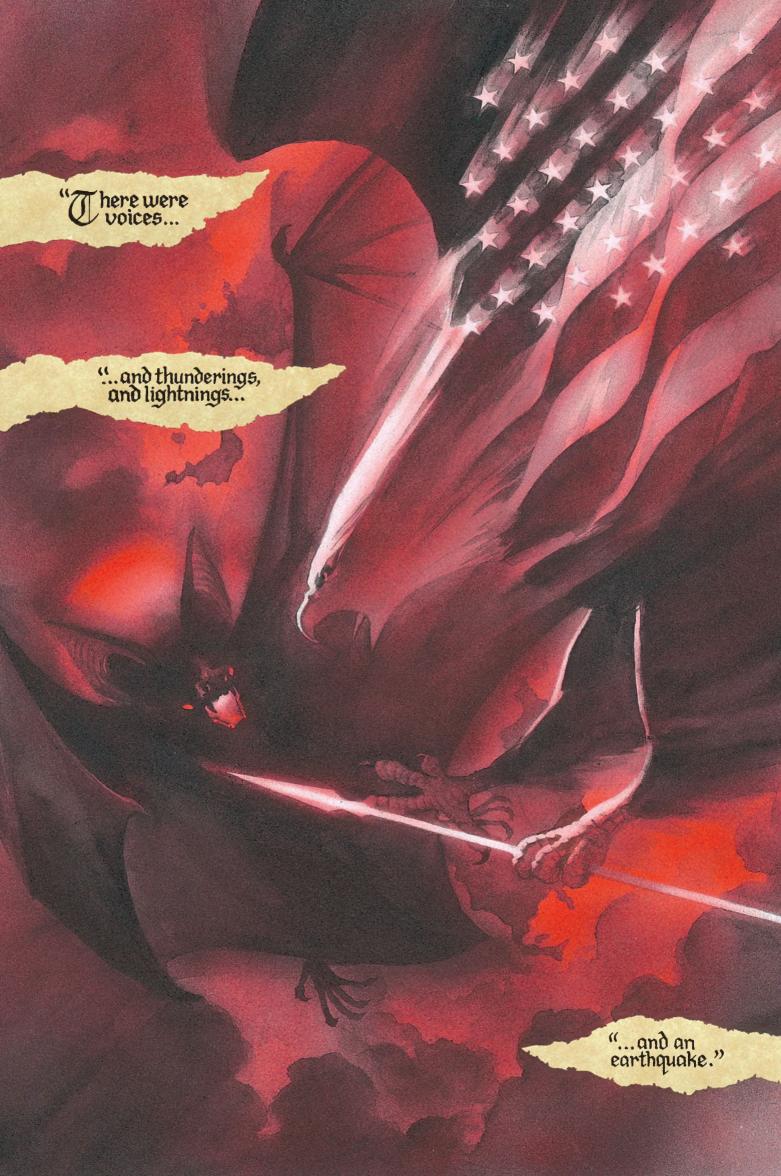
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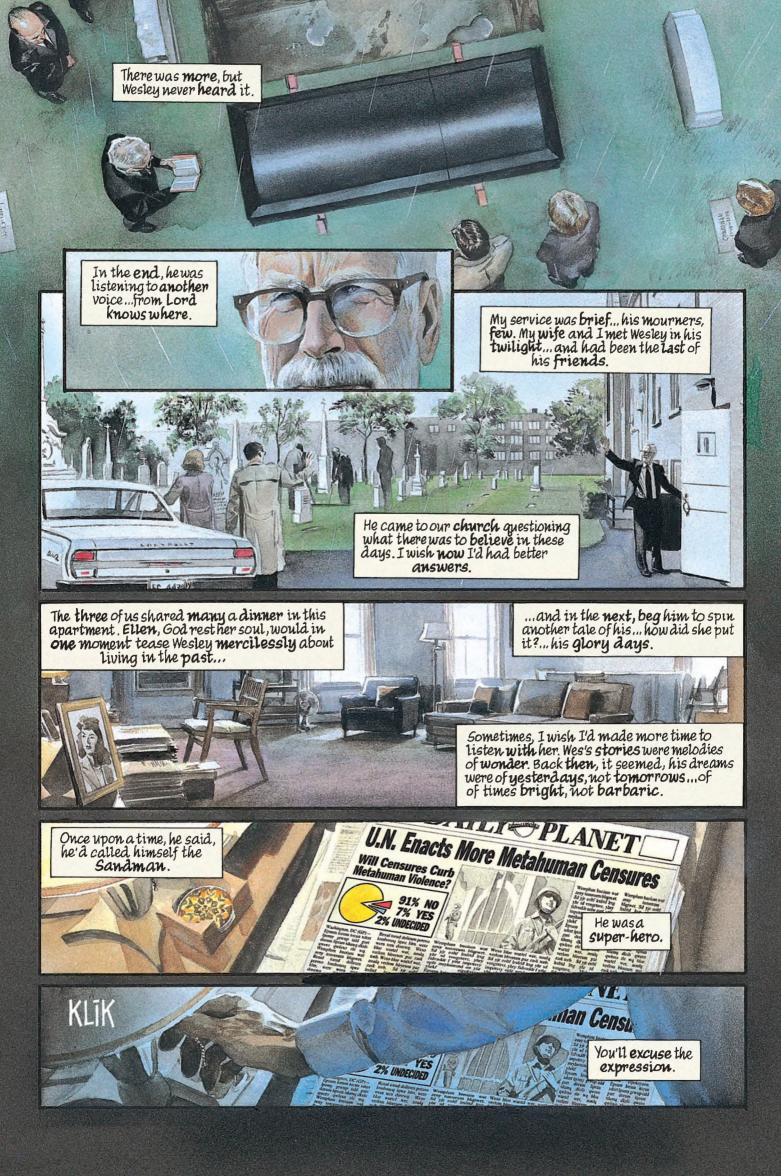


















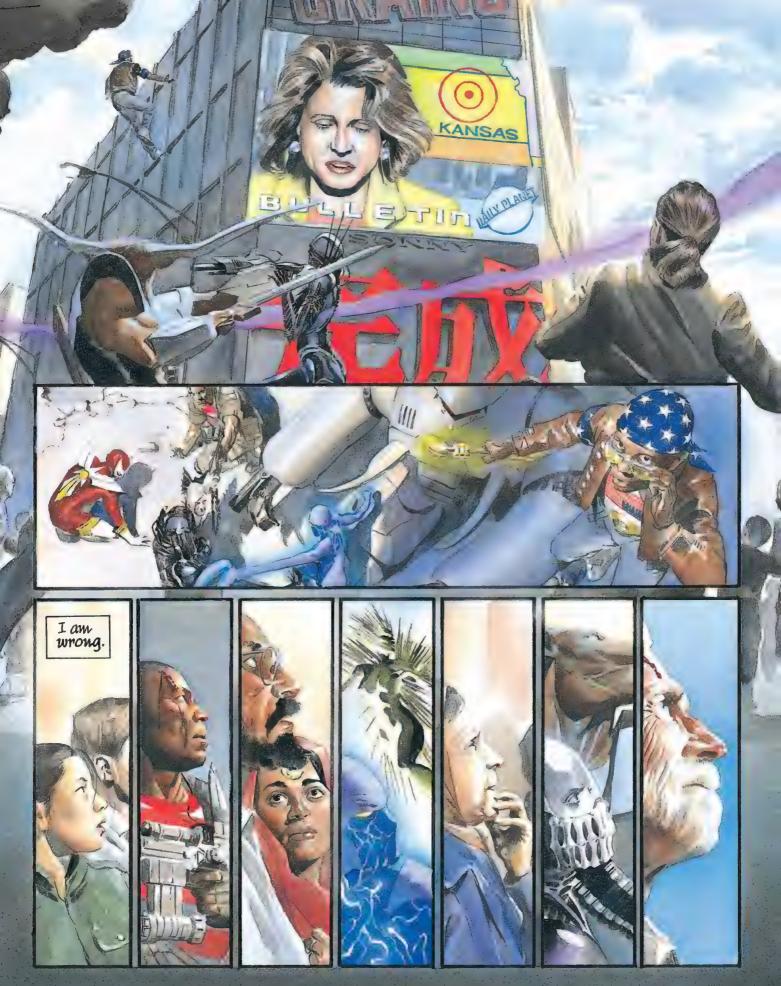












"AND THERE FOLLOWED HAIL AND FIRE MINGLED WITH BLOOD..."





Butifhe was...

...then so now am I.

Kansas proved it. Thanks to the superhumans, the end is near... and the Word of God, so very far...





EVEN AS I STAND BEFORE YOU, AN ACT OF UNSPEAKABLE EVIL HAS BEGUNTO MANIFEST. ARMAGEDDON IS FAST APPROACHING. I HAVE
NEED OF YOU,
NORMAN
MCCAY. AND NOW THE VISIONS TALK TO ME. I HAVE GONE MAD... HARDLY. IN FACT, YOUR SANITY MAY BE PARAMOUNT TO MANKINDS SURVIVAL. BUT YOU KNOW THIS. YOU HAVE THE DREAMS. Y YOU ... SEE INTO LONG AGO, 1 WOULD HAVE JUDGED SWIFTLY, WITH CLARITY ... BUT MY FACULTIES ARE NOT WHAT THEY ONCE WERE. MY MIND ... MY SOUL? YOU ARE AN ANGEL ...? INORDER TO CARRYOUT MY TASK, I MUST ANCHOR MYSELF TO A HUMAN SOUL WHO SEEKS JUSTICE. OF A SORT. A HIGHER POWER HAS CHARGED ME WITH THE TASK OF PUNISHING THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS COMING EVIL. BUT I





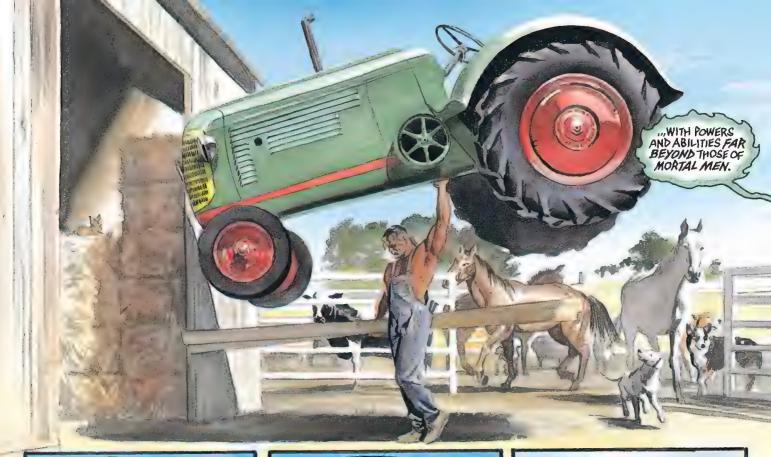










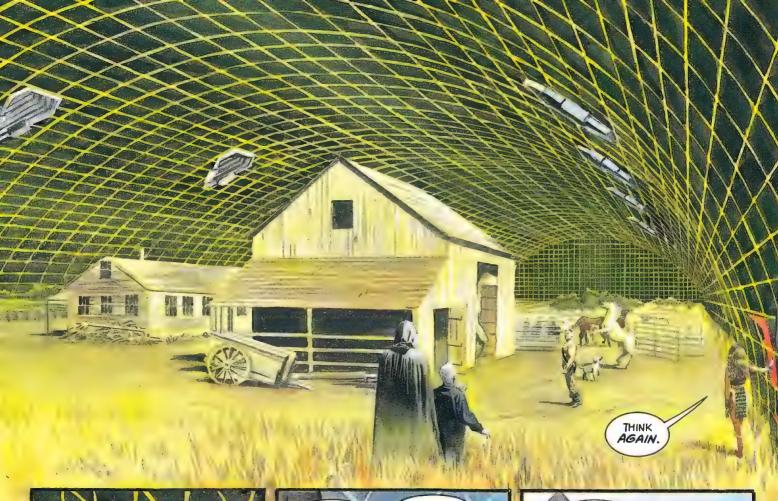




























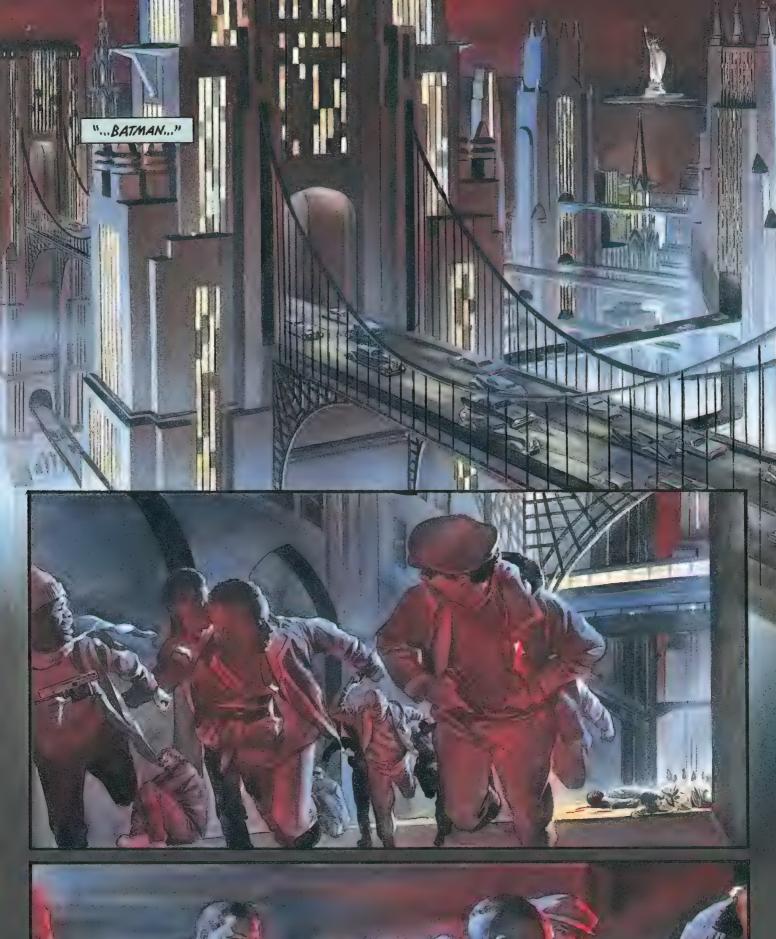






"YET ANOTHER TAKES HIS REFUGE HIGH ABOVE THE EARTH'S SURFACE ...HIS SELF-MADE EMERALD CITY TWINKLING IN THE NIGHTSKY LIKE A VERDANT STAR. "THERE, GREEN LANTERN COMMANDS A LONELY THRONE, EVER VIGILANT, EVER WAITING FOR SIGNS OF THREATS EXTRATERRESTRIAL. "HE WAITS STILL."

















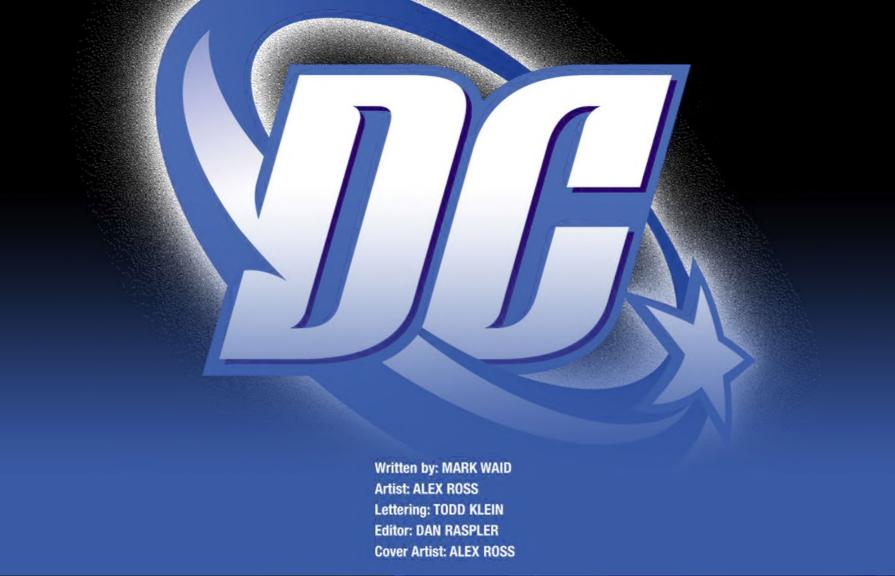














The Hand